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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to Rule 1.53(d) and Rule 1.54, please find enclosed a Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney for the application of David A. Witt entitled "Coagulating Electrosurgical Instrument with Tissue Dam", Attorney Docket No. END-766, and a notarized Assignment (with appropriate Cover Sheet) for same, to complete, pursuant to Rule 1.51, this application filed on January 23, 2002 by Express Mail pursuant to Rule 10. As required, a copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application is also attached.

Please charge Johnson & Johnson Deposit Account No. 10/750/END-766/VEK in the amounts of \$130.00 for submission of the Declaration pursuant to Section 1.16(e) and \$40.00 for the recordation of the Assignment. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Account No. 10-750/END-766/VEK. This sheet is submitted in triplicate.

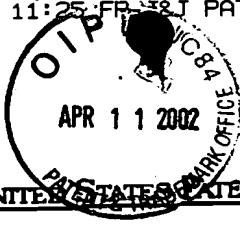
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An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(f) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
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